

## Re: What happened? My "https applets" stopped working

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Ok, it did not stop working on Jan. 1. It stopped working about 7 days ago. But I will do the update root thing, and the cryptography thing. It is odd that my partners computer is fine and mine is not. He does not have the updated toolbar (eBay) or the extra anti-spyware. Webroot Spysweeper is ( or used to be) great stuff and never interfered before either. I've had Adaware forever too. Just got this new computer though and was slowly adding stuff. YOu just can't install everything in a day or 2 when you get a new puter. Had to install Office, Photoshop, etc. So over this period of a month, everything worked until last week.. My old puter was old hardware, so I had to tape it together and that didn't work any more. That is how much detest installing everything again, to keep an old comptuer taht long, but that is typical. I detest having to format, etc. It so time consuming is the only reason of course. But so is loading my eBay pics 3 times till I get it right. My partner and I are on a LAN, if that means anything. We have 3 puters hooked up to each other and the internet, DSL.

Roland wrote:

> On 22-1-2005 13:37, SD wrote:  
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>> *What's a weekend? (just kidding -- kind of...)*  
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>> *Ok here is the situation. They don't work in either browser, Netscape or IE.*  
>> *Both the latest.*  
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>> *The URL would involve giving you my real estate password and my ebay password.*  
>> *But they do work in my partner's browsers.*  
>> *So it only on https sites that tit happens. REgular Java apps seem to be*  
>> *working. Like the test games at the Java site. I guess that counts.*  
>> *what did I do before the screw up?*  
>> *I did 3 things that I can remember. I had installed Adaware. I upgraded the*  
>> *eBay toolbar (they kept bugging me to!). I also installed Webroot's*  
>> *Spysweeper..*  
>> *I install thngs all the time so I didnt think it would mess up the JAva.*  
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> *Have Adaware myself (AFAIK, it doesn't interfere with Java). Don't know*  
> *the other two. But they should not mess up Java...*

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> > *I must*  
> > *have been nuts.*  
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> *You're saying it, not me ;–)*  
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> > *So I uninstalled each thing and rebooted. I made sure no pop–up blockers were*  
> > *on. they never are on, I don't use them bedcaSue of stuff like this. I also*  
> > *don't go to wierd cites though. None of this ehelped. I did a system restore.*  
> > *That didn't help either. I just tried to do an ealier system restore and it*  
> > *didn't even taek. dumped Ll my sites with rules on them in IE and set it to*  
> > *dfault. That didn't hlep either. I set it to the losest security and privacy*  
> > *and took off the Xp firwall and that didn't help either. I never had to set a*  
> > *proxy before and I kind of know what it is, but since it all worked without me*  
> > *typing things in before, I was thinking it shold keep on working. I must be*  
> > *mad. I can work around one of the applets, and not see wht I'm posting to*  
> > *Ebayj, and atake longer to do it, But the other applet, I can't do certain*  
> > *functions at all. I can't see maps or tax data. Did I say I uninstalled and*  
> > *reinstalled Java from the Sun site twice and made a noble attempt to make sure*  
> > *I had the latest ActiveX from MS?*  
> > *I get messages like this on the Java console:*  
> > *(I understand "html", but I but I don't understand this)*  
> >  
> > *Java(TM) Plug–in: Version 1.4.2\_06*  
> > *Using JRE version 1.4.2\_06 Java HotSpot(TM) Client VM*  
> > *User home directory = C:\Documents and Settings\Compaq\_OwnerProxy*  
> > *Configuration: No*  
*proxy-----*  
> > *c: clear console window*  
> > *f: finalize objects on finalization queue*  
> > *g: garbage collect*  
> > *h: display this help message*  
> > *l: dump classloader list*  
> > *m: print memory usage*  
> > *o: trigger logging*  
> > *p: reload proxy configuration*  
> > *q: hide console*  
> > *r: reload policy configuration*  
> > *s: dump system properties*  
> > *t: dump thread list*  
> > *v: dump thread stack*  
> > *x: clear classloader cache*  
> > *0–5: set trace level to <n>*  
> > -----  
> > *startLoadingMapMap current geo:(–161.0, –97.25503875968991, –31.87,*  
> > *171.0150387596899)Using DMP file: default.dmpisDebugMode: false*  
> >  
> > *[snip]*  
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> *I'm thinking that maybe the so called rootcertificates have expired or*  
> *gone invalid (they are used for secure browser connections like HTTPS).*

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- > *Did the applets stopped working after Jan 1st (that would be a typical date for expiration)?*
- > *Goto <<http://windowsupdate.microsoft.com>> and see if there is an update available for Internet Explorer, probably called "Update for rootcertificates", and probably in the 'non-essential updates' category (don't know exact name, but I installed them November last year).*
- > *Restart browser afterwards.*
- >
- > *Additionally you could install "Java Cryptography Extension (JCE) Unlimited Strength Jurisdiction Policy Files 1.4.2" from <<http://java.sun.com/j2se/1.4.2/download.html>> (at the bottom of the list). It's a zip file call "jce\_policy-1\_4\_2.zip" or similar, and contains two JAR files (and two text docs). These JAR files, "local\_policy.jar" and "US\_export\_policy.jar" must be copied to the \lib\security subdirectory of the JRE installation folder (typically C:\Program Files\Java\j2re1.4.2\lib\security\). They should replace the two JAR files with the same name that are already there. Restart browser afterwards.*
- >
- > *Check on the Java control panel (Windows menu Start -> Settings -> Control Panel -> Java ), on the Proxies tab, that it's "Using Browsers Settings" (so the applets use the same settings as the browser).*
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- > *And also check if your firewall doesn't block HTTPS connections (XP's firewall it was, wasn't it). Did you maybe install XP SP2 and the applets stopped working after this?*
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- > *Regards,*
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- > *Roland de Ruiter*
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